

Tyngsborough Sewer Commission (SC)
Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2015 6:00 pm
Location: Tyngsborough Town Hall, Inspectional Dept.

Commissioners Attending: Jeff Hannaford (JH), Brian Martin (BM), Fred Perrault (FP)
Also Attending: Caryn DeCarteret (CD) Administrator, Paul Provencher (PP) Asst Superintendent
Ken Carlson (KC) – Woodard & Curran (W&C)

Residents/Others in attendance
Fran Glavin – 33 Middlesex Road
Nina Nazarian – Asst Town Administrator

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Jeff Hannaford at 6:10 PM.

Item 1) Citizen's Time

None

Item 2) Fran Glavin – 33 Middlesex

Fran Glavin owns one of the industrial garage condos at 33 Middlesex Road for his business Samson Concrete, and is looking to connect to sewer. The entire building is approx. 10,000 s.f. building consisting of 5 units and 8 bays. He submitted an application per unit along with a check for the connection fees to the Administrator.

Discussion regarding:

Capacity and Phase I West.

Moratorium on connections due to lack of additional capacity.

Number of employees: 8 for Samson Concrete.

One other unit is occupied, 3 are vacant.

Fran may purchase the other units and the septic would need to be redone or the building connected to sewer for purchase.

Previous vote by Commission was for Administrator to bring all connection applications for the Chelmsford IMA to the Commission for approval.

E-1 pumps

Plans to be submitted for the Asst Superintendent to review.

Motion by FP to accept the application to connect to sewer for 33 Middlesex Road.

2nd: BM

Motion passes: 3-0-0

Item 3) Nina Nazarian

Mascuppic Trail drainage to be repaired by the Town. The Commission would like to take this opportunity to be able to provide sump pump stubs for homeowners so that I&I could be reduced and the homeowner will have a way to discharge to water from their basements.

Discussion regarding:

Section of Mascuppic Trail which is to be repaired.

Cost for homeowners to install a leaching system.

NN has concerns with direct discharge in the case of a sewerage backup, feels everyone is responsible for their own storm water drainage.

JH stated that water from sump pumps is ground water not storm water.

Drywells.

Ground water has become a sewer related problem, increasing I & I, using up available capacity, Sewer Dept can be fined for ground water and Sewer Department is absorbing the additional cost of the flow from the sump pumps.

Fines can be assessed for sump pump violators, violators can be discovered by smoke tests.

NN: wants to see what other towns do, she doesn't feel each home should get a stub, she feels the Commission should find another alternative.

FP: feels it is unnecessary to poll other communities when the Commission is offering to pay for a solution to the problem.

BM: the Commission is willing to pay for the pipe so cost is not an issue. Ross & Assoc Engineers, as built to be done by end of year.

Lakeside Pizza had roof tied into sewer, a letter was sent demanding removal of roof drainage from sewer.

JH: BOS need to take the lead to remedy the situation.

NN: is inundated with work does not have time to spend on the solution.

NN will provide engineering update.

Item 4) Phase I West

Discussion regarding:

Bid specifications.

Protection of roads.

Flint and Upton drainage.

Reclamation and repaving of roads, mill and overlay except state roads.

Freeze and thaw prior to final paving.

Grade change near fire station.

NN wants to add an island approx.5 feet, near Old Town Hall with cross walk. Town to pay for.

Bid process.

Town Administrator is Chief Procurement Officer for the Town. Town Counsel to sign, Accountant to sign as to availability of funds, BOS has to approve.

Advertisement requirements.

Town Counsel to approve front end of bid specs.

Superseding Order of Conditions to be recorded.

MassWorks. Apply in August. Need letters from project developers outlining affordable aspects of projects.

Easements.

Item 5) Phase II

Discussion regarding:

Build out analysis.

Route 3 off ramp.

Nashua looking for letter of support, Curt did not submit because they did not negotiate capacity yet.

Item 6) Administrator's Report

Read into record

1. Discussion re status of Bridgeview Condos connection.
2. Abatement: 52 Windemere Circle – duplicate billing account per Tax Collector: Signed
3. W&C Bills 118572 & 119311: Signed

Item 7) Superintendent's Report

Read into record.

Discussion regarding:

Lakeside Pizza: Roof drainage removed from sewer.

Item 8) Correspondence

None

Item 9) Complaints

None

Item 10) **New Business**

BOH: Tight tanks for properties in failure or new construction to tie into Phase I.
FP will stop by to discuss with the Health Agent.

BM: wants to look at clerical and labor needs for Department.

JH: IMA's Lowell is signed, outside counsel to review and possibly negotiate
Dracut and Chelmsford.

Item 11) **Old Business**

None

Item 12) **Executive Session**

Motion by BM to go into Executive Session: Exemption Three – To discuss
strategy with respect to collective bargaining because an open meeting
may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the
Commission, and the Chair so declares – Highway Union.

2nd: FP

Motion passes: 3-0-0

Item 13) **Adjournment**

**See Executive Session Minutes from 6/11/15 taken by the Sewer Commission
Chairman.**